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second comb drive assemblies 587 and 588, which are preferably linear comb drive assemblies, are carried by substrate 586 and arranged on the substrate in first and second sets 591 and 592. Each of the first and second comb drive assemblies 587 and 588 includes a first comb drive member or comb drive 593 mounted on substrate 586 and a second comb drive member or comb drive 594 overlying the substrate 586. At least first and second spaced-apart suspension members or spring members 596 and 597 are included in microactuator 508 for supporting or suspending the second comb drives 594 over the substrate 586 and for providing stiffness to the second comb drives 594.--

Replace the paragraph beginning at line 17 of Page 54 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--In another embodiment of the tunable laser of the present invention, micromechanical means that includes at least one microactuator is provided for rotating and translating one of diffraction grating 504 and reflector 506 for selecting the wavelength of output beam 150. In one preferred embodiment, at least one microactuator is provided for rotating reflector 506 relative to diffraction grating 504 and for translating the reflector 506 relative to the diffraction grating. Such a tunable laser is substantially identical to tunable laser 651 and includes a microdevice 851, substantially similar to microdevice 652, shown in FIG. 25. Like reference numerals have been used to described like components of microdevices 652 and 851. Microdevice 851 is preferably a balanced microdevice and includes a first microactuator 852 substantially similar to first actuator 653 of balanced microdevice 652.—

Replace the paragraph beginning at line 7 of Page 55 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--The inner radial end portion 698a of the spring member 698 of each of first and second springs 664 and 666 is coupled or secured to substrate 526 by means of a substantially ridged shuttle member or shuttle 856 and first and second suspension beams 857. Translation shuttle 856 is substantially similar in construction to rotation shuttle 853 and extends from the inner radial extremity of first spring 664 to the inner radial extremity of second spring 666. The shuttle 856 has a linear central portion 856a which